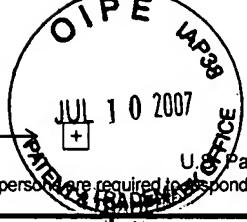


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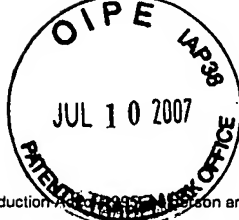
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

In response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2007, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Reply. The Application is amended as follows:

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